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Intimations.

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Queen's Road from Beaconfield Arcade (inclusive) to the K'o Shing Theatre, Bonham Strand West, Wing Lock Street, Des Voeux Road, Chater Road and Wardley Street.

Residents on the Upper Level and the Peak facing the Peak are especially requested to illuminate their houses on the evening of the 10th February by placing a Red Lantern in each Window and in their Verandahs.

C. E. H. BEAVIS,
Hon. Secretary,
Reception Committee.

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IT has been decided (subject to the approval of His Royal Highness) to give a SUBSCRIPTION BALL from the Royal Community of Hongkong to His Royal Highness PRINCE ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT, K.G., G.C.V.O., on MONDAY, February 12th, at 8.30 p.m. in the CITY HALL.

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18,000-ton Vessels Projected.

The most interesting feature of the ship-building projects of the great naval Powers for the coming year is the increasing size of the battleships. The two battleships launched by Great Britain this year, the "Africa" and the "Hibernia," were of 16,350 tons, and these were larger than those launched by any other Power.

The prevailing size of next year's battleships will be 18,000 tons. Great Britain is building an experimental example in the "Dreadnought." Other Powers are following suit, although their vessels are still in the air. The United States Naval Construction Board is about to submit plans to Congress for a new type of 18,000-ton battleship. The Russian naval programme provides for six ships of the same burthen. France talks about laying down three 18,000-ton monsters, and Japan two, while Germany hopes for six.

Japan, indeed, hints at vessels in the future, beside which even an 18,000-ton battleship will seem small. A recent article in the *Jiji Shingwa* stated: "Some of our best ships are already out of date, and everything goes to indicate the necessity for building larger ships, with much heavier armaments and higher speed. In the view of the progressive school of naval designers, the battleship of the near future will probably be a vessel displacing 22,000 tons, with an armament of fourteen 12-inch guns and a speed of twenty knots; while the future armoured cruiser will have a displacement of 16,000 tons and a speed of twenty-five knots." But shipbuilders regard this as a dream rather than a possibility—at any rate for the present.

To descend from ships in the air to ships in the water, Great Britain launched during the year two battleships and four armoured cruisers. France launched one battleship and one armoured cruiser, Germany two battleships, Russia one battleship, Italy a battleship and an armoured cruiser, Japan two battleships and one armoured cruiser, and the United States four battleships and one armoured cruiser. In the list of vessels completed and put into service, Great Britain came easily first, with a record of five battleships by the United States, two battleships and two armoured cruisers by Germany, and one armoured cruiser each by France and Italy.

Of all the naval Powers, Italy alone still pins her faith to the small mobile type of battleship.

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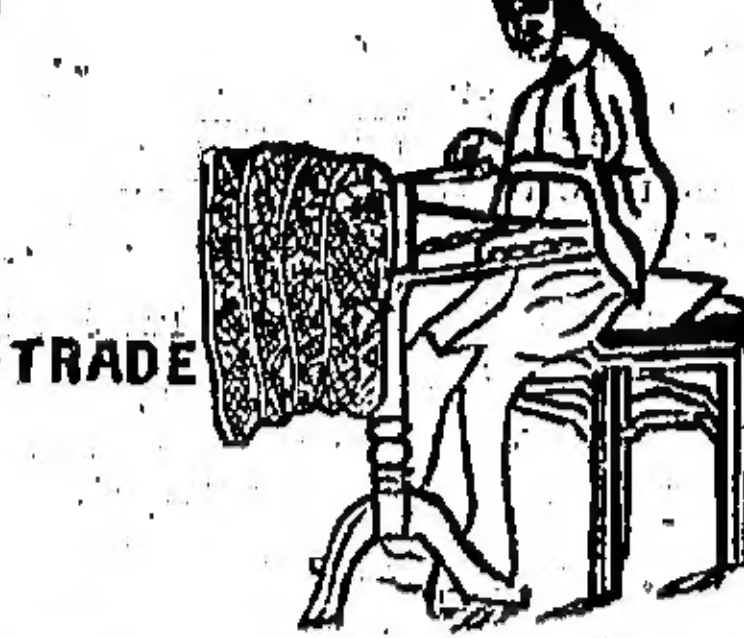
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His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported
Alacrité	despatch-vessel	1700	12	3000	Comdr. Richard M. Harbord	Saigon
Andromeda	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	16,500	Capt. R. K. Drummay	Hongkong
Arun	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Comdr. R. Henniker-Heaton	Hongkong
Astrea	cruiser, 2nd class	4300	10	7000	Captain L. G. Tufnell	Kobe
Bonaventure	cruiser, 2nd class	4300	10	7000	Capt. H. H. Torlesse	Kobe
Cadmus	cruiser, 2nd class	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Luard	Yangtze
Cherub	sloop	390	—	300		Hongkong
Clio	water tank and tug	1070	6	1400		Yangtze
Dec	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Comdr. H. D. Wilkin, D.S.O.	Hongkong
Diadem	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	16,500	Comdr. H. E. Sullivan, R.N.	Hongkong
Erne	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. B. H. Bathar	Hongkong
Ettrich	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. Lewin	Hongkong
Ere	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. A. F. Everett	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. Stevenson	Hongkong
Handy	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. J. May	Weihsien
Hare	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. Richards	Hongkong
Heda	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Capt. E. P. B. Charlton	Hongkong
Hogues	Special Torpedo-vessel	6400	—	2400	Captain Shortland	Hongkong
Ichen	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Lieut. Comdr. O. Seymour	Hongkong
Janus	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Hongkong
Kinsla	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. E. V. R. Dugmore	Yangtze
Knights	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut. Comdr. F. B. Noble	West River
Knights	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut. Comdr. F. B. Noble	Hongkong
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. J. Kiddle	Hongkong
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Comdr. C. E. M. Vaughan	Singapore
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. B. T. Atty	Yangtze
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Capt. O. H. H. Moore	Yangtze
Knights	cruiser, 2nd class	85	2	240	Lieut. Comdr. Davidson	Manila
Knights	river gunboat	180	2	800	Captain Wm. L. Grant	Hongkong
Knights	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Commodore Dicken	Hongkong
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. A. Secretary	Hongkong
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Comdr. A. Gregory	Hongkong
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Comdr. R. W. Glanville	Hongkong
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. C. E. L. Thomas	Hongkong
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. C. B. Spicer-Simon	Upper Yangtze
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. O. W. Wrightson	Upper Yangtze
Knights	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	6	7000	Lieut. Comdr. J. F. Knox	Upper Yangtze

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	
Kaiser Franz Josef I	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4300	19	9000	Capt. Ferdinand Buhl	Shanghai
Pathan	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	1350	12	6000	Captain L. R. von Hoesel	Hongkong
Achéron	French armoured gunboat	1788	10	1700	Lieut. Ferret	Salgar
Argus	French gunboat	123	—	400	Lieut. Jeannel	Canton
Avallanche	French gunboat	140	5	150	—	Halphong
Blanchette	French gunboat	—	—	150	—	Salgar
Baronde	French gunboat	—	—	150	—	Salgar
Jasse-tete	French gunboat	140	5	150	Lieut. Hao	Salgar
Domato	French gunboat	525	4	438	Lieut. M. du Vignaux	Gulf of Siam
Decidés	French cruiser	645	10	1000	Lieut. L'Eon	Halphong
Descartes	French cruiser	390.5	14	5500	Comdr. Amet	Bale d'Along
Agassiz	French cruiser	4000	31	9500	Commander Allaire	Along Bay
Dupetit-Thouars	French armoured cruiser	10,014	38	20,000	—	Salgar
Alceste	French gunboat	303	3	—	Lieut. Mere	Halphong
Francisque	French destroyer	303	7	6300	Lieut. Cotoni	Halphong
Freude	French destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Jehenne	Halphong
Jouyon	French destroyer	937.8	36	20,200	Captain Ridoux	Salgar
Guichen	French cruiser	9700	—	—	—	Salgar
Henri Riviere	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Porter	Halphong
Lucien	French gunboat	200	6	308	Lieut. Corlour	Halphong
Javeline	French destroyer	307	7	300	Comdr. Bagot-Duracoux	Halphong
Kersaint	French cruiser	1250	6	2200	Commander Simon	Salgar
L'Yx	French sub-marine	9700	12	19,600	Lieut. Armbruster	Salgar
Montealm	French cruiser	307	6	300	Capt. Maréchal	Shanghai
Mosquet	French destroyer	—	—	—	Lieut. Prat	Eile d'Along
Ulry	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Grellier	Changhai
Pelbo	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Lavisiere	Tongku
Pistolet	French torpedo-boat	380	7	300	Lieut. de Reinech Werth	Eile d'Along
Portes	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Glorieux	Salgar
Redoutable	French battleship	9437	8	6071	Reserve	Salgar
Sabre	French destroyer	1796	10	1700	Lieut. Leball	Halphong
Styr	French gunboat	629	2	900	Capt. Dupries	Salgar
Surprise	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Roque	Bale d'Along
Taklong	French destroyer	250	6	—	—	Yangse
Takot	French battleship (reserve)	6160	23	4500	Capt. Terquem	Salgar
Vauban	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Brugnon	Halphong
Vigilante	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Canton
Furst Bismarck	German flagship	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Wilken	Hongkong
Hansa	German cruiser	6230	34	10,000	Capt. Weber	Amoy
Ilia	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Baron von M. Hilleseum	Tientsin
Jaguar	German gunboat	800	10	1300	Comdr. Klose	Shanghai
Lucia	German gunboat	850	10	1344	Comdr. Harz	Hongkong
Möwe	German gunboat	1009	8	875	Comdr. Labadie	Tientsin
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Wing-Müller	Tientsin
Taku	German torpedo-boat	900	10	1800	Capt. Lieut. Walker	Tientsin
Tiger	German gunboat	190	6	1300	Comdr. Detmold	Hankow
Teintant	German gunboat	—	3	500	Capt. Lieut. Globler	Canton
Vaterland	German gunboat	—	3	500	Capt. Lieut. von Bulow	Yangtze River
Vormars	German gunboat	—	3	500	Capt. Lieut. Ferboni	Yangtze River
Elba	Italian cruiser	2300	10	7471	Captain Borea Ricci	—
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	3600	—	—	Captain Frabietore	Shanghai
Puglia	Italian cruiser	2488	29	7000	Capt. Pescetto	Shanghai
Admiral	Portuguese cruiser	1960	14	4000	Captain d'Antas Ribeiro	Macao
Diu	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Coutinho	Macao
Vasco de Gama	Portuguese cruiser	3215	20	6000	Capt. Manuel Vasco de Carvalho	Macao
Albany	U. S. cruiser	9769	26	7500	Capt. Dyer	Cavite
Annapolis	U. S. gunboat	1000	12	1227	Capt. Rohrer	Shanghai
Bahabridge	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Woodward	Hongkong
Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	4600	—	—	Capt. Sargeant	Manila
Berry	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Irwin	Hongkong
Callao	U. S. gunboat	208	10	800	Lieut. Desmaki	Hongkong
Channey	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Capt. E. P. Jessop	Manila
Cincinnati	U. S. cruiser	3213	12	7600	Comdr. Har C. B. Harbe	Wooten
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Garnell	Manila
Decatur	U. S. gunboat	660	10	6000	Lieut. A. W. Knox	Manila
Eleonora	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1688	St.-Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Helena	U. S. monitor	3590	6	3000	Comdr. P. E. Sanye	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5544	Captain Mahan	Hongkong
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4437	20	7500	Comdr. J. B. Milhen	Cavite
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	12,000	—	—	Commander Marshall	Manila
Ohio	U. S. battleship	10,283	45	11,111	Captain Logan	Manila
Oregon	U. S. cruiser	9769	26	7500	Captain Merrell	Manila
Panama	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Ensign J. E. Bass	Cavite
Panama	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Capt. Bennett	Cavite
Panama	U. S. cruiser	4000	14	—	Capt. Gavies	Manila
Raleigh	U. S. cruiser	3213	18	7600	Capt. F. F. Fletcher	Hongkong
San Francisco	U. S. cruiser	4098	27	9913	Captain Verry	Manila
Vicksburg	U. S. gunboat	1000	15	1118	Commander Marshall	Shanghai
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	347	3	500	Elout H. A. Wiley	Manila
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1894	Commander A. W. Dodd	Manila
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Valse..... "Estudiantina"..... Waldteufel
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Narcissus..... "The Water Scissors"..... Norvin
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D'artagnan..... "Espagnol"..... Desormes
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GOD SAYS THE KING.

WEATHER REPORT.
The following notice is issued by Mr Figg
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On the 31st at 11.55 a.m., The bar-
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Pressure is highest over W. Japan, and
a depression appears to be forming over
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Decreasing monsoon is indicated in the
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Forecast:—Fresh to moderate E. winds;
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DEATH OF KING CHRISTIAN.

The Colony's Condolences.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held at 2.30 p.m. to-day, all members being present with the exception of Mr. Shaw.

After Mr. Pollock had taken the oath and assumed his seat, His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council and moved a resolution, which was seconded by Dr. Ho.

His Excellency the Governor said:— "Gentlemen, it has been my duty to summon you here to-day to invite you to pass a resolution on the occasion of the death of His Majesty the King of Denmark."

Christian IX, born the year before our late Queen's beloved memory, was the oldest of reigning sovereigns. For forty-three years he ruled over the Danes, a people connected with the people of Great Britain by ancient strains of blood, and more closely by the bonds that unite the Royal families of the United Kingdom and of Denmark. It is appropriate that at Hong Kong, as from other Colonies, where Queen Alexandra is held in such affectionate esteem should come expressions of sympathy at the death of His Majesty's father, and I submit for consideration of your acceptance the following resolution:—"That the Legislative Council of Hong Kong desire to humbly express the sorrow with which the intelligence of the death of the Queen's father has been received and their deep sympathy with His Majesty the King and Queen in their bereavement."

Dr. Ho seconded the motion. He said: "With profound respect and sympathy I rise to second the resolution which Your Excellency has just so feelingly proposed to this Council. We have been so long accustomed to regard the persons of their Most Gracious Majesties the King and Queen with affection and esteem that whatever news comes to them in the smallest degree seems to call forth a corresponding feeling on our part. On the present occasion, their Majesties' recent sad bereavement is felt by all British subjects throughout the Colony with a keen sense of sorrow and sympathy, and the resolution before us is a humble expression of that sentiment of respect and sympathy. I beg, therefore, to second the resolution."

The resolution was carried and the Council adjourned sine die.

CHINESE Y. M. C. A.

The Year's Progress.

Annual meeting of the Chinese branch of the Y. M. C. A. was held last night at 7.30 p.m. Mr. C. H. Fung presiding. Mr. C. H. Fung read the annual report which showed that 128 new members had joined the Association during the year. The working account showed a deficit of \$1,389.82 which was, however, covered by pledges. The committee for the night classes totalled 185 and a day school had been started and had 100 Chinese employees of the Kowloon Docks seeking the Association to form a branch at Hung Hom. This was being considered.

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Pathan and Baluchi, three quarters, 35, 1.12, 1.49, Pathan first.

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Mr. Michael's pony won by about 4 lengths.

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Sixcocks, half mile, 31, 1.08.

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Fredericks, one mile and a quarter, last three quarters, 38, 1.12, —, 2.32.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

General Notes.

General Nodon, who recently returned to Japan from Manchuria, will be promoted to the rank of Field-Marshal.

M. Kasanoff, a Secretary to the Russian Legation in Peking, who has been transferred to Tokyo, has arrived at Tokyo.

It is reported that Sir E. Cameron, the retired London manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, will visit Hongkong sometime next month.

On February 14 the marriage is to take place at Amoy of Miss Beryl Mackenzie, daughter of Lieut. Colonel and Mrs. Mackenzie, and Mr. Lucien Irving Thomas, of the Standard Oil Co.

Mr. Douglas Story, war correspondent and journalist, has been lecturing at Yokohama on the "Campaign with Kurotsukin." He is at present in the Far East as a travelling correspondent of the Tribune, the organ of the New British Administration.

Residents who have received invitations to the ball at Government House on Thursday (to-morrow) will be disappointed to hear that His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan regrets to have to postpone the function indefinitely owing to the death of His Majesty the King of Denmark.

From reports in Forfar papers of the meetings of the Forfar Town Council it would appear that the general Dr. Jim Lawson, erstwhile of Hongkong, is a thorn in the side of more than one department. He seems to have acquired a knowledge of the details of kerbing and guttering that is astounding.

Mr. A. Koch, the head of Messrs. Lambert & Co., of Singapore had to leave for home by the German mail s.s. "Guisenau" on January 22 on account of very serious ill health. He had arranged to proceed by the P. & O. mail on the 25th but on the insistence of his physician, he had to hurry his departure.

Our Amoy Correspondent writes:—Mr. Anderson, the American Consul, who was home on short leave, has returned, but upon arrival found a telegram waiting him to proceed to Rio Janeiro, where he is to act as Consul-General. It is to be hoped that Mr. Lugton, who has been acting Consul during Mr. Anderson's absence will be permanently appointed to the position.

Mr. McClellan, who is the first Tammany Mayor of New York to win the respect of his opponents, finds his greatest enjoyment, according to *Munsey's Magazine*, in his books. He owns one of the best private libraries in New York, and keeps in close touch with the worthiest literature in French, German, and Italian, all of which he reads fluently. In his campaigns he makes speeches in all three of those tongues.

He is fond of outdoor life, and especially of walking—he goes on foot every day from his home in Washington Square to the City Hall, a distance of about two miles.

A suggestion having been made to raise a ten-cent subscription throughout the United States, the aggregate sum to be presented to Miss Alice Roosevelt, the following statement has been issued from the White House:—"The President's attention having been called to a dispatch from Baker City, Or., to the effect that a subscription was about to be started for a wedding present for Miss Alice Roosevelt, the President stated that while he appreciated this evidence of good-will, he hoped that nothing of the kind would be undertaken. In fact, he wished particularly that the proposed work should not be done."

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The King's Christmas doles, known as the "Minor Bounty" and the "Royal Gate" alms, were, in accordance with ancient usage, distributed by the Royal Almoner, St. James's Palace, to over 1000 aged, disabled, and meritorious persons, who had been previously recommended by the clergy of selected parishes throughout the dioceses of England and Wales.

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DEATH OF KING CHRISTIAN.

The Colony's Condolences.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held at 2.30 p.m. to-day, all members being present with the exception of Mr. Shaw.

After Mr. Pollock had taken the oath and assumed his seat, His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council and moved a resolution, which was seconded by Dr. Ho Kai and was passed unanimously.

His Excellency the Governor said:—Gentlemen, it has been my duty to summon you here to-day to invite you to pass a resolution on the occasion of the death of His Majesty the King of Denmark, Christian IX, born the year before our late Queen of beloved memory, was the oldest of reigning sovereigns. For forty-three years he ruled over the Danes, a people connected with the people of Great Britain by ancient strains of blood, and more closely by the bonds that unite the Royal families of the United Kingdom and of Denmark. It is appropriate that from Hongkong as from other Colonies where Queen Alexandra is held in such affectionate esteem should come expressions of sympathy at the death of Her Majesty's father, and I submit for consideration of the Council the following resolution:—"That the Legislative Council of Hongkong do hereby express the sorrow with which the intelligence of the death of the Queen's father has been received and their deep sympathy with Their Majesties the King and Queen in their bereavement."

Dr. Ho Kai seconded the motion. He said: With profound respect and sympathy I rise to second the resolution which Your Excellency has just so feelingly proposed to this Council. We have been so long accustomed to regard the persons of Their Most Gracious Majesties the King and Queen with affection and esteem that whatever affects them in the smallest degree is sure to call forth a corresponding feeling on our part. On the present occasion, Their Majesties' recent sad bereavement is felt by all British subjects throughout the Colony with a keen sense of sorrow and sympathy, and the resolution before us is but a humble expression of that sentiment of regret and sympathy. I beg, therefore, to second the resolution.

The resolution was carried and the Council adjourned sine die.

CHINESE Y. M. C. A.

The Year's Progress.

The annual meeting of the Chinese branch of the Y. M. C. A. was held last night Mr. F. C. Mow Fung presiding. Mr. C. H. Lee read the annual report which showed that 128 new members had joined the association during the year. The working account showed a deficit of \$1,388.62 which was, however, covered by pledges. The enrolment for the night classes totalled 185 and a day school had been started and had 31 boys enrolled. The literary, athletic, social and religious portion of the association's work had been attended by success.

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APPROX.—The Accounts have been audited by Mr. Thos. Arnold, who now retires, but offers himself for re-election.

T. F. Hough,
Chairman.

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Rambler Rose, one mile and a quarter, 39, 1.11, 1.47, 2.21, 2.53.

SUBSCRIPTION CRITERIA.
Sundial, one mile and a quarter, 41, 1.15, 1.54, 2.30, 3.03.

Jovial Monk and Zipster, three quarters, last half, 35, 1.10, Jovial Monk won.

Halcyon Day and Velocity, one mile and a quarter, last mile, 35, 1.10, 1.45, 2.19. Velocity finished first.

Wakolyn, one mile, 35, 1.09, 1.43, 2.15. Highland Star and Highland Ohel, one mile, last three quarters, 35, 1.12, 1.50.

Pathan and Baluchi, three quarters, 36, 1.13, 1.49. Pathan first.

Rising Sun and Pilot, one mile and a half, 1.29, 2.05, 2.44, 3.20, 3.52. Mr. Mitchell's pony won by about 14 lengths.

Eagle, one mile and a half, full time, 3.19, last mile 37, 1.14, 1.52, 2.27.

Sirocco, half mile, 31, 1.03.
Rover, one mile, 36, 1.12, 1.49, 2.20.
Common Rose, one mile and a quarter, 38, 1.11, 1.47, 2.21, 2.53.

Bash Rose, one mile, —, 1.05, 1.34, 2.10. Later on this pony did a three-quarter gallop in 35, 1.10, 1.43.

Mongolian Chief, one mile, last three quarters, 35, 1.14, 1.50.

Frechdachs, one mile and a quarter, last three quarters, 38, 1.12, —, 2.32.

CARTING.
The first match for the 2nd team Challenge Cup between the Hongkong Club and Club Germania will take place on Thursday and Friday, the 1st and 2nd February. The following have been chosen to represent their respective Clubs.

Hongkong Club.—J. A. Jupp (Capt.), W. S. Brown, Dr. Hough, R. N. P. Wilson, F. W. Goldring (Capt.), L. Gibson, R. N. G. Woodcock, R. D. Atkinson.

Club Germania.—R. Kapteyn (Capt.), G. Mitchell, F. Thun, A. Okmo, A. Thiesen (Capt.), H. Tiefenbacher, F. Nicola, H. Geos.

Messrs Jupp and Kapteyn's teams will roll on the Hongkong Club alleys on Thursday (to-morrow) and on German Club alleys on Friday.

Messrs Goldring and Thiesen's teams will roll on the German Club alleys to-morrow and on the Hongkong Club alleys on Friday.

Volunteer Reserve Association.
The following are the principal scores in the eight month's competition for the Governor's Cup, 1905:—

	SCORE	TOTAL
A. W. J. Watt	67+13=80	
H. W. Fraser	55+11=66	
W. T. Edwards	49+16=65	
J. H. Pidgeon	64+20=84	
E. A. Irving	44+20=64	
T. F. Cuchane	44+20=64	
T. F. Cuchane	63+21=84	
J. C. Gow	58+4=62	
C. E. H. Bevis	55+6=61	
R. E. O. Bird	45+16=61	
Dr. E. Evan Jones	49+10=59	
A. P. Nobbs	39+20=59	
W. G. Winterburn	45+14=59	
J. J. Stubbings	53+6=59	
E. W. Farver	38+16=54	
R. A. Hewitt	49+4=53	
Sir F. T. Pigott	48+5=53	
W. B. T. Davis	45+8=53	
J. O. Peter	45+8=53	

Football.
A football match has been arranged between the Lusitano and Rovers Football Clubs which takes place on Friday, 2nd February. Kick-off at 5.15 p.m. on the Causeway Bay ground.

The former Club—H. M. Simoes represent the former Club—H. M. Simoes (Goal) P. Ego and A. V. Barros (back) R. A. Silva, J. M. Brito, and A. Half-back (half) A. O. Barradas E. M. Ozeiro, A. Ribeiro, L. Ozeiro and A. F. Rozario (forwards).

Yachting.
The total points scored to date by the yachts of the one design class of the above club are as follows:—

	Points
Hibernia	42
Anchor	24
Cam	15
Nina	6
Thodia	1

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

General Noden, who recently returned to Japan from Manchuria, will be promoted to the rank of Field-Marshal.

M. Kasakoff, a Secretary to the Russian Legation in Peking, who has been transferred to Tokio, has arrived at Tokio.

It is reported that Sir E. Cameron, the retired London manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, will visit Hongkong sometime next month.

On February 14 the marriage is to take place at Amy of Miss Beryl Mackenzie, (daughter of Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Mackenzie) and Mr. Lucien Irving Thomas, of the Standard Oil Co.

Mr. Douglas Story, war correspondent and journalist, has been lecturing at Yokohama on the "Campaign with Kuropatkin." He is at present in the Far East as a travelling correspondent of the Tribune, the organ of the new British Administration.

Residents who have received invitations to the ball at Government House on Thursday (to-morrow) will be disappointed to hear that His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan regrets to have to postpone the function indefinitely owing to the death of His Majesty the King of Denmark.

From reports in Forfar papers of the meetings of the Forfar Town Council it would appear that the genial Dr. Jim Lowson, erstwhile of Hongkong, is a thorn in the side of more than one department. He seems to have acquired a knowledge of the details of herbing and gutting that is astounding.

Mr. A. Koch, the head of Messrs Lambart & Co., of Singapore had to leave for Home by the German mail s.s. "Gneisenau" on January 22 on account of very serious ill health. He had arranged to proceed by the P. & O. mail on the 25th but on the instance of his physician, he had to hurry his departure.

Our Amoy Correspondent writes:—Mr. Anderson, the American Consul, who was home on short leave, has returned, but upon arrival found a telegram waiting him to proceed to Rio Janeiro, where he is to act as Consul-General. It is to be hoped that Mr. Lupton, who has been acting Consul during Mr. Anderson's absence will be permanently appointed to the position.

Mr. McOlellan, who is the first Tammany Mayor of New York to win the respect of his opponents, finds his greatest enjoyment, according to *Munsey's Magazine*, in his books. He owns one of the best private libraries in New York, and keeps in close touch with the worthiest literature in French, German, and Italian, all of which he reads fluently. In his campaigns he makes speeches in all three of those tongues. He is fond of outdoor life, and especially of walking—he goes on foot every day from his home in Washington Square to the City Hall, a distance of about two miles.

A suggestion having been made to raise a ten-cent subscription throughout the United States, the aggregate sum to be presented to Miss Alice Roosevelt, the following statement has been issued from the White House:—"The President's attention having been called to a dispatch from Baker City, Or., to the effect that a subscription was about to be started for a wedding present for Miss Alice Roosevelt, the President stated that while he appreciated this evidence of good-will, he hoped that nothing of the kind would be undertaken. In fact, he wished particularly that the proposed work should not be done."

There has been much speculation locally as to what name Sir Paul Chater is going to adopt for his palatial residence on Conduit Road. Many names have been suggested by those interested, but none have met with favour.

It will perhaps surprise those who have unsuccessfully hazarded a suggestion to know that *Who's Who* for 1906 gives it as "Marble Hill." Obviously the printer or the proof reader made a mistake by inserting an "s" instead of an "a." It is known that Sir Paul favours "Marble Hall" as a name, and such a name is appropriate in a sense since the house contains the most beautiful marble staircase east of Suez. We suppose it can now be taken that the mansion will henceforth be known as "Marble Hall."

THE KING'S GENEROSITY.
The King, says a writer in *M.A.P.*, gives away no less than £2000 in Christmas gifts to those who serve him. The tradesmen equally receive a sovereign apiece, which is often supplemented by a joint of beef, if the needs of the royal household have caused them to work much harder than usual. The servants on the Sandringham estate all receive joints of beef, out to the proportion of two pounds for every adult member of the family, and one pound for each child.

The King's Christmas doles, known as the "Minor Bounty" and the "Royal Alms," were, in accordance with ancient usage, distributed last year by the Royal Almoner, St. James's Palace, to over 1000 poor, disabled, and meritorious persons, who had been previously recommended by the clergy of selected parishes throughout the diocese of England and Wales.

The recipients were chosen by the Lord High Almoner, assisted by the Sub-Almoner, and the payments were made by Mr. Henry John Bidwell, Secretary of His Majesty's Almonry.

TROUBLE ABOUT A DRESS.

A Dressmaker's Claim.

In the Summary Division of the Supreme Court this afternoon, before His Honour Mr. A. G. Wine, Madame Jay, dressmaker and milliner, sued H. Galuzzi for \$105 for a dress supplied to his wife. Mr. F. X. d'Almeida appeared for the defendant. The action arose out of an order given by Madame Galuzzi to the plaintiff's establishment. The dress was made and tried on and was accepted by her with the exception of a few alterations which she desired made. This was on December 11, in the morning, and the dress was required to wear at the regatta that afternoon. Madame Galuzzi expressed pleasure with the dress, but it could not be altered in time for that afternoon and when it was subsequently sent Madame Galuzzi refused it saying she was not pleased with it. Plaintiffs contended that there had been an acceptance within the meaning of the law and that the defendant was liable for the amount claimed. Plaintiff claimed that the dress fitted and defendant's wife that it did not.

His Honour apparently did not wish to arbitrate between the ladies, except as a last resource, and adjourned the case with a view to the parties coming to a settlement.

FROM THE FRENCH OF VICTOR HUGO.

Alone I wandered by the sea,
The stars were shining overhead,
And o'er the waste of waters shed
A light of lustrous brilliancy.
The swelling ocean, bright and clear,
Subsiding from a summer gale,
Undimmed by silvery shining sail,
Seemed whispering a low sweet prayer.

The azure sky, uncheckered by cloud,
Surmounted by its starry wreath,
Was smiling on the earth beneath,
The slow wind through the forest sighed.

The scales of passion fled my eyes,
My soul was bathed in blessed light
And brightly beaming through the night
I saw sweet faces in the skies.

Then from each proudly swelling peak
A question came, and wood and plain
Reached it with sweet refrain:
The rugged rocks found voice to speak:—

"What unto thee the power gives
Oh stars to ever dance and shine
Oh sea to toss your crest of brine,
What unseen forces within thee live?"

The golden stars, in murmurs low,
Blending with ocean's stronger notes,
Replied (the mingled music flows)
As soft as silver streamlets flow.

"To God alone let praise be given,
We shine and well bet in his praise
Then loud your sounding anthems raise
To—Him the Lord of Earth and Heaven."

Hongkong, Jan. 31.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

Yesterday it was stated that the Douglas Co's steamer "Haitan" had been grounded in a fog near Pakhoi. We are now informed that this is an error, the "Haitan" being on the coast ports route north of Hongkong. The correspondent who sent us the paragraph from Pakhoi has evidently mistaken the steamer.

At about 2 o'clock on Jan. 29 fire was discovered in the No. 2 hold of the Norwegian steamer "Solun," discharging a cargo of raw cotton in Osaka harbour. Assistance was obtained and the fire put out in about an hour and a half. The "Solun" is chartered by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha and arrived at Osaka from Shanghai. It is stated that no serious damage was done.

A Sampan Capsized.

The harbour was very rough this morning in consequence of the heavy wind prevailing, and sampans and other small craft had a bad tossing about. One of the former in trying to round the Canton steamer's wharf this morning was capsized by a sudden gust of wind, and its occupants were forced to try and swim for the shore. They were helped by a boat which had considerable difficulty in doing in the rough water but fortunately Mr. A. Oke, happened to be passing at the time in his launch and came to their rescue. Thanks to this timely assistance the sampans' crew was safely landed and the upturned boat towed into smooth water.

In the marine engineering records of the year there will be few—perhaps none—to compare with that of the great North country firm of Richardson, Westgarth (Limited), whose works are situated at West Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, and Sunderland. This concern, the result of a well-remembered combination effected by Sir Christopher Furness a few years ago, has turned out as many as 41 sets of marine engines, of an indicated h.p. ranging from 650 to 8,500 each, and a large number of land engines, including Parsons steam turbines aggregating 10,600 h.p., Cockleill gas engines, rolling mill engines, and pumping engines aggregating 38,100 h.p., the whole making up a grand total of 194,350 h.p. Last year the number of turbines turned out was 38, and the total h.p. of machinery produced 92,990; so that the increase this year is no less than 31,160 h.p. The amount of steam turbine machinery built is much in excess of last year's output of engines. In marine engines alone, to say nothing of the numerous turbine, gas, rolling mill and pumping engines, this firm has turned out an average of over 14 per cent. throughout the year. It is a great performance.—*Shipping Gazette.*

New German Passenger Steamers.

The great German Shipping Companies are constructing nine new steamers, representing 15,000 tons, specially to compete with British vessels on the North Atlantic and in Eastern trades. Each of these vessels is to be under the specially attractive to passengers, is being fitted with the "Stone Lloyd" marine safety doors, and so made practically unsinkable. We understand that on the German liners which have already been so fitted the commanders have definite orders at different points in each voyage to invite passengers to the bridge, and also to the engine-rooms, to see these safety doors in actual operation, and so to assure themselves that it is next to impossible for a vessel so fitted to founder. By doing this the German companies have already found that the extra cost of this installation has been paid for over and over again by the increase in the number of passengers on every vessel so fitted.

The Cunard Company have no intention of leaving these laurels of safety in the hands of their German competitors, and have fitted or are fitting their four new "Germania" equipped with this gear, which left New York for Liverpool on the 14th inst. had a full complement of passengers, every berth being taken.

LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

London, December 22.
Yesterday was the Feast of St. Thomas on which the City Court of Common Council is annually elected. Our thrifty forefathers wanted every hour of sunlight for business purposes and shrewdly selected the shortest day of the year for municipal affairs. The Court of Common Council has existed for seven hundred years (since 1200) and the duties of its members are rather onerous, though entirely unpaid.

Lord Curzon has wisely declined to accept nomination for the City at the election next month. As his title is an Irish one, it does not debar him from sitting in the House of Commons, and the desire, on national rather than party grounds, to have him there again was a worthy one. But it would be almost impossible for a man who has been Viceroy of India to take part in a contested election, and we shall have to wait till a constituency is found sufficiently patriotic to offer him an unopposed return to that chamber which I know that he would prefer to the gilded cemetery at the other end of the Palace of Westminster.

Lord Curzon is too valuable a man to be kicked upstairs yet. Lord Edmond Fitzmaurice's dignified protest last week against the omission of his name from the list of the Ministry resulted in his being promptly given the post he craved, that of Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. He will now go to the House of Lords and there is a certain piquancy in the fact that it will be his task to defend the foreign policy of the new government from the attacks of his elder brother the Marquis of Lansdowne.

The real opening of the election campaign was with the new premier's great speech at the Albert Hall last night. Sir Henry explained that it was too soon to make a detailed statement of policy. Probably the heterogeneous Cabinet, individually rather than collectively strong, has not yet made up its corporate mind on most subjects. The only statement that was of immediate importance was this:—"One conclusion His Majesty's Government has arrived at, and it is this—to stop forthwith as far as it is practicable to do it forthwith—the recruitment and embarkation of coolies in China and their importation into South Africa."

COMIC STRIKE.

Brass Band Humours.

The strike of the employees of Dufoy, the great furnishing house at Paris, is one of the most amusing and extraordinary on record.

A strike committee sits permanently night and day in a wine-shop in the Rue de Olignanourt, close to the colossal Dufoy Stores.

The wine-shop is doing a roaring trade owing to the hordes of sympathisers who will assist on treating the committee-men to luncheon and dinner. Finally the proprietor had to ask the president of the committee who were members and who were not, and it was then found that a self-constituted "Committee of Moral Support" had joined the collectors made their calls on the hire-purchase subscribers, of whom there are thousands in all parts of Paris, the brass band (which has joined the strike) accompanied them, and played stirring selections outside the houses and flats where the collectors were at work.

The strikers implored the subscribers not to pay a sou until the strike was over, an appeal which was of course readily agreed to.

The Dufoy Stores continued business, with the 200 employees who have remained loyal, but the great place seemed quite empty. To give a fictitious air of animation to the deserted halls the employees were continually winding up all the phonographs in the place, and setting them going at once.

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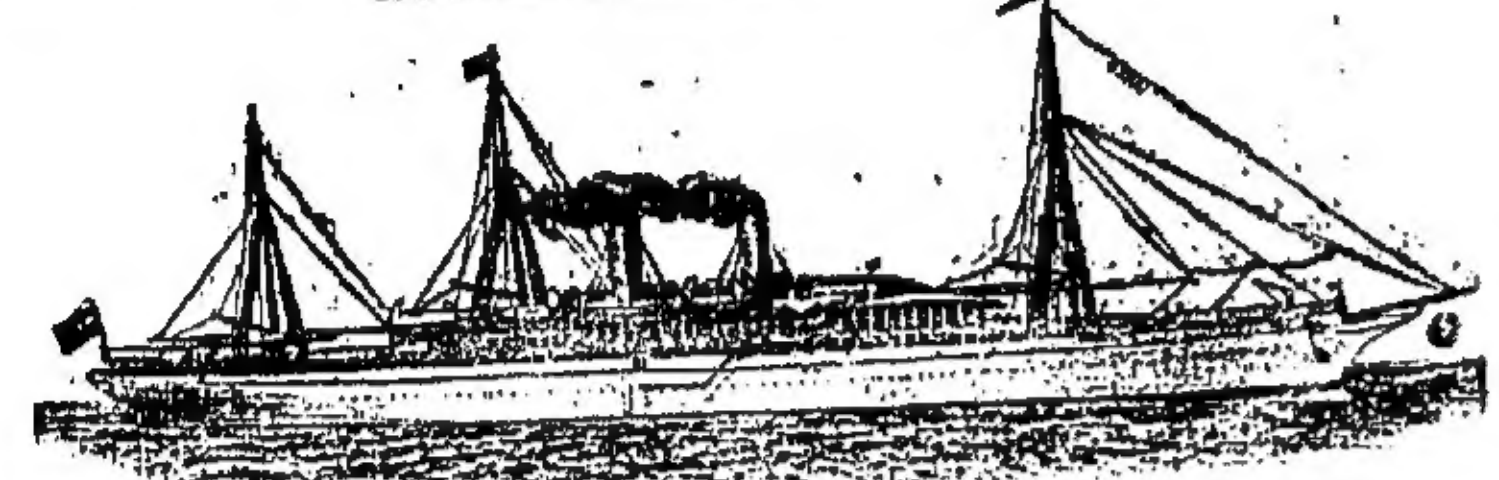
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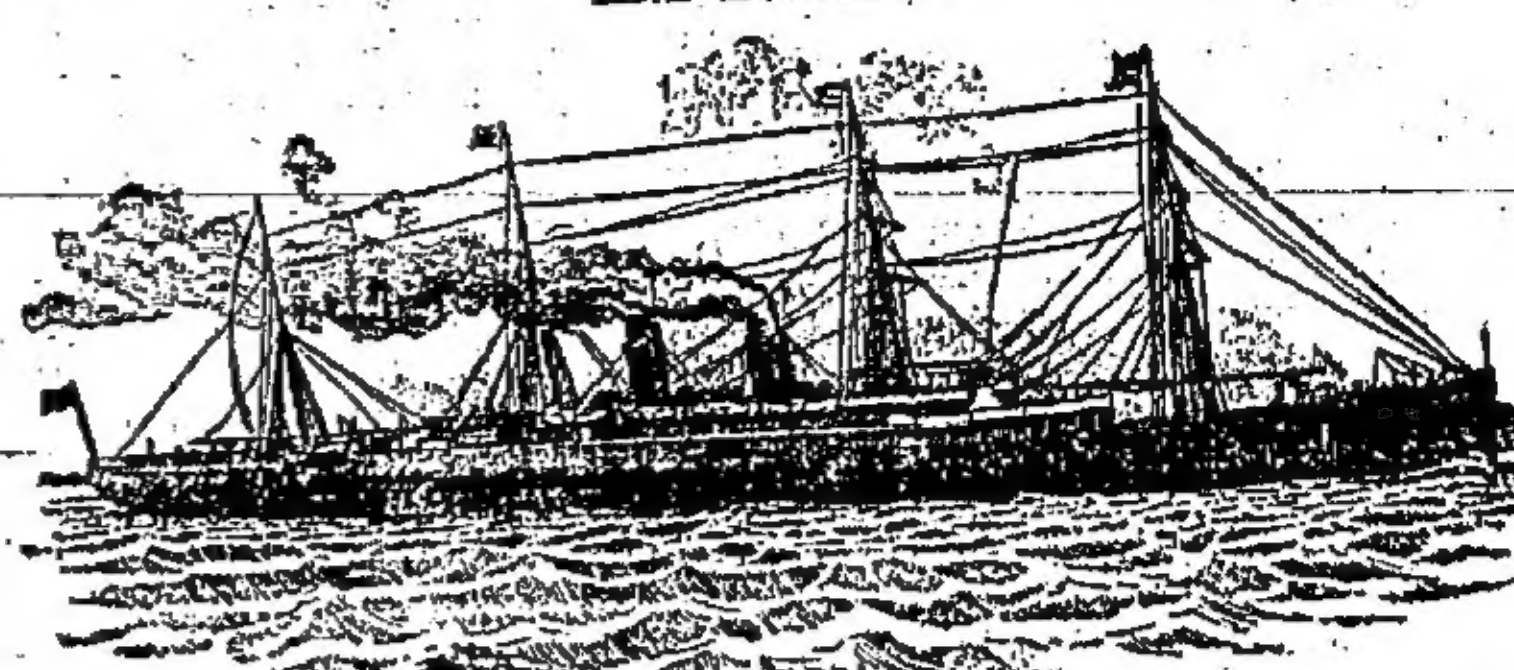
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